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## **Amendment**

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Offered by:

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To: Senate Bill No. 272 File No. 225 Cal. No. 185

## "AN ACT ESTABLISHING A FIXED TIME PERIOD FOR AGENCY REVIEW OF EXISTING REGULATIONS."

- 1 After the last section, add the following and renumber sections and 2 internal references accordingly:
- 3 "Sec. 501. Subdivision (4) of subsection (a) of section 4a-60g of the 4 2014 supplement to the general statutes is repealed and the following 5 is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2014*):
  - (4) "Minority business enterprise" means any small contractor (A) fifty-one per cent or more of the capital stock, if any, or assets of which are owned by a person or persons who (i) exercise operational authority over the daily affairs of the enterprise, (ii) have the power to direct the management and policies and receive the beneficial interest of the enterprise, (iii) possess managerial [and] or technical competence and experience directly related to the principal business activities of the enterprise, and (iv) are members of a minority, as such term is defined in subsection (a) of section 32-9n, or are individuals with a disability, or (B) which is a nonprofit corporation in which fifty-

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one per cent or more of the persons who (i) exercise operational authority over the enterprise, (ii) possess managerial and technical competence and experience directly related to the principal business activities of the enterprise, (iii) have the power to direct the management and policies of the enterprise, and (iv) are members of a minority, as defined in this subsection, or are individuals with a disability.

- Sec. 502. Subsection (k) of section 4a-60g of the 2014 supplement to the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2014*):
- (k) (1) On or before January 1, 2000, the Commissioner of Administrative Services shall establish a process for certification of small contractors and minority business enterprises as eligible for setaside contracts. Each certification shall be valid for a period not to exceed two years. Any paper application for certification shall be no longer than six pages. The Department of Administrative Services shall maintain on its web site an updated directory of small contractors and minority business enterprises certified under this section.
- (2) The Commissioner of Administrative Services may deny an application for the initial issuance or renewal of such certification after issuing a written decision to the applicant setting forth the basis for such denial. The commissioner may revoke such certification for cause after notice and an opportunity for a hearing in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54. Any person aggrieved by the commissioner's decision to deny the issuance or renewal of or to revoke such certification may appeal such decision to the Superior Court, in accordance with the provisions of section 4-183.
- (3) Whenever the Commissioner of Administrative Services has reason to believe that a small contractor or minority business enterprise who has applied for or received certification under this section has included a materially false statement in his or her application, the commissioner may impose a penalty not exceeding ten

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thousand dollars after notice and a hearing held in accordance with chapter 54. Such notice shall include (A) a reference to the statement or statements contained in the application alleged to be false, (B) the maximum civil penalty that may be imposed for such misrepresentation, and (C) the time and place of the hearing. Such hearing shall be fixed for a date not later than fourteen days from the date such notice is sent. The commissioner shall send a copy of such notice to the Commission on Human Rights and Opportunities.

(4) The commissioner shall hold a hearing prior to such revocation or denial or the imposition of a penalty, unless such contractor or subcontractor fails to appear. If, after the hearing, the commissioner finds that the contractor or subcontractor has wilfully included a materially false statement in his or her application for certification under this subsection, the commissioner shall revoke or deny the certification and may order that a civil penalty not exceeding ten thousand dollars be imposed on the contractor or subcontractor. If such contractor or subcontractor fails to appear for the hearing, the commissioner may, as the facts require, revoke or deny the certification and order that a civil penalty not exceeding ten thousand dollars be imposed on the contractor or subcontractor. The commissioner shall send a copy of any order issued pursuant to this subsection to the contractor or subcontractor named in such order. The commissioner may cause proceedings to be instituted by the Attorney General for the enforcement of any order imposing a civil penalty issued under this subsection."

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Sec. 501	October 1, 2014	4a-60g(a)(4)
Sec. 502	October 1, 2014	4a-60g(k)

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